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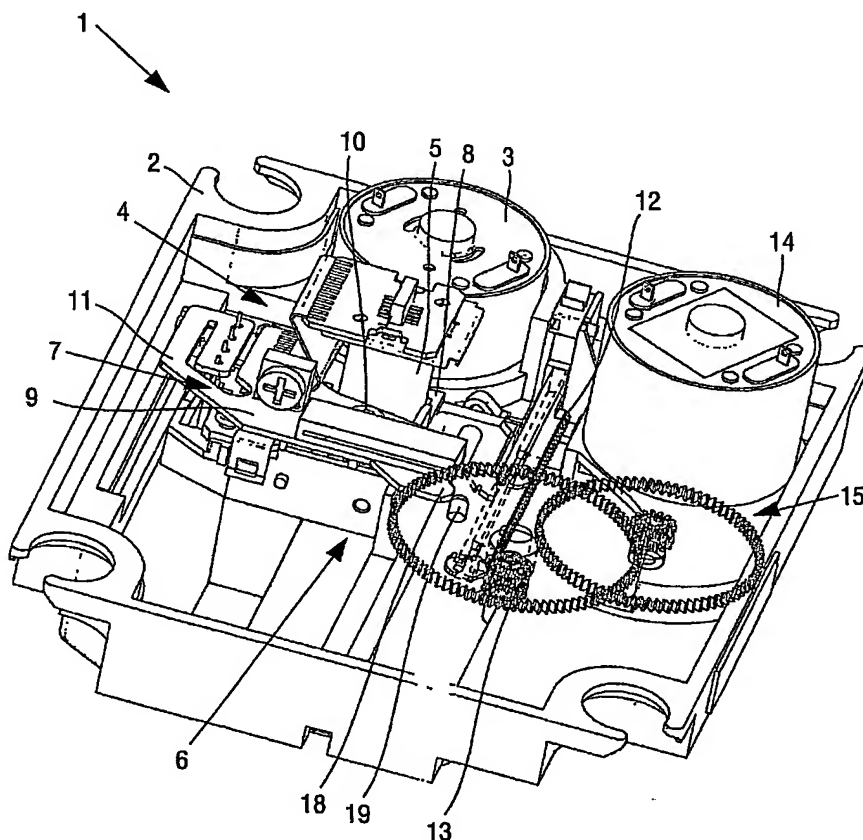
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(57) Abstract: A disk drive unit (1) for a disk, comprising a mounting plate (2), a spindle motor assembly (3), a slide mechanism (6) provided with a slide (8), a pickup unit (4) mounted on the slide (8), a first transmission member (12) operatively connected with the slide (8), and a second transmission member (13), wherein the first transmission member (12) is positioned with the second transmission member (13) when the pickup unit (4) is in its read and/or write position and such that the first transmission member (12) is out of engagement with the second transmission member (13) when the pickup unit (4) is in its home position. In order to bring the first and second transmission members (12, 13) into engagement, the transmission members are provided with engagement members (18, 19). As a result, a limit switch assembly is no longer necessary.



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